Press release





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ESSCA signs a partnership with the École des Ponts ParisTech for its Grande Ecole-Masters in Management programme in the area of energy

In line with its Odyssée 20/24 strategic plan, ESSCA is continuing its drive to blend skillsets via the signing of a top-level partnership with the École des Ponts ParisTech, one of the world's major institutions of Engineering Science, under the tutelage of the Ministry for Ecological Transition and Regional Cohesion. From September 2025, this collaboration will enable Masters-level students of the ESSCA Grande Ecole programme to take the École des Ponts ParisTech Specialised Masters in Management of Energy Projects. Once accepted onto the Masters and subject to meeting certain conditions, they will obtain two degrees following completion of their second year of Masters studies: the ESSCA Grande École programme awarded Masters status by the Ministry of Higher Education and Research, and the École des Ponts ParisTech Specialised Masters in Management of Energy Projects, which is officially recognised by the Conférence des Grandes Ecoles. In so doing, ESSCA is underlining its commitment to preparing future graduates for the main energy and societal changes to come.

The choice of a partner par excellence

From September 2025, French and international students of ESSCA's Grande Ecole programme, as well as those to have joined the programme via the parallel admissions process, will be able to (subject to selection) take the **l'École des Ponts ParisTech Specialised Masters in Management of Energy Projects** during their fifth year of study. The Masters provides training accredited by the Conférence des Grandes Écoles and certified at "Energy Projects Director" RNCP level 7. The blending of skillsets is at the very heart of ESSCA's programme development strategy, providing students with training that will meet even more closely the requirements of companies and the socio-economic challenges of today.

"This partnership between ESSCA and the École des Ponts ParisTech provides additional recognition of the high quality of ESSCA's Grande Ecole programme. We are delighted to be able to offer our Grande Ecole programme students this new opportunity to access top-level dual curricula. Training in cross-disciplinary Management, Science and Technology, as well as ecological and societal transformation, is central to our ambition of providing the very best possible response to the industrial challenges faced by companies", declares **Christine Sinapi, ESSCA Director of Academic Programmes.**









Training is delivered **in English**, favouring an international and multicultural approach. Female students are especially encouraged to join the scientifically composed programme



"Committing to this partnership with ESSCA sends a clear sign that promotes the diversity and mix of student profiles within this Energy Management programme", adds **Estelle REVEILLARD**, **Head of Specialised and Executive Masters at École des Ponts ParisTech**.

The Specialised Masters curriculum is delivered by a combination of professionals from the energy industry, project specialists, and renowned academic guest lecturers. Courses and case studies are dedicated to the technological, economic, societal, economic assessment and financing aspects of energy project management. The 2½-days-per-week part-time format of the programme is completed via a five-month in-company placement that enables students to execute their skills in a working environment and that they will report upon via submission of a professional dissertation. Upon completion of the programme, students will have acquired the skills needed to work in various areas of energy project management, from the design phase and stakeholder buy-in to commercial development, financing, construction, and deployment. They will also bring concrete expertise to public bodies and energy regulation agencies at various regional, national, and international levels.

A selective entry process

ESSCA students interested in taking the École des Ponts ParisTech Specialised Masters in Management of Energy Projects will need to have successfully completed the fourth year of the Grande Ecole programme with excellent academic results, have a minimum TOEIC score in English of 850 points and international experience, as well as display a clear motivation to join the programme and a sensitivity to the areas of science and technology. "Pre-selection of applicants will be handled by ESSCA and the final selection made following an interview to be held by École des Ponts ParisTech", specify Franck Gavoille, Director of ESSCA's Grande Ecole programme, and Louis-François Durret, Director of the École des Ponts ParisTech Specialised Masters in Management of Energy Projects. Professor Fernanda Arreola, Professor of Strategy, Innovation and Entrepreneurship at ESSCA, will provide academic supervision to ESSCA Grande Ecole programme students who are accepted to take this dual curriculum.

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About ESSCA

Based on its rich 115-year history, ESSCA School of Management is a renowned and firmly established French and European institution. A pioneering school since its foundation in terms of teaching innovation and social and economic inclusion, it has striven to evolve on a permanent basis to incorporate the demands and challenges of the modern world with a will to train responsible leaders and assist organisations undergoing change.

A private higher education institution of common interest built upon a not-for-profit associative structure and a member of the Conférence des Grandes Ecoles, ESSCA School of Management delivers an officially recognised 5-year post-secondary Master degree and also offers a fully accredited Bachelor in International Management degree programme, an MBA Business & Technology, a Specialised Master, and Master of Science programmes The school also offers a range of training programmes designed specifically for senior executives, managers, and operational teams, with degree-awarding training (including an Executive Master in Global Management) and intercompany programmes. ESSCA is also developing on-line designed by ESSCA online campus.

Thanks to its AACSB, AMBA and EQUIS triple crown accreditation, a status held by only 1% of business schools around the world, the school is an internationally renowned institution. It features in 54th place among the top 100 Masters in Management programmes in the world in the 2023 Financial Times ranking.

Strengthened by a multicampus identity that helps consolidate its appeal to local regions and the showcasing of French expertise in the areas of higher education and research, ESSCA can call upon a network of almost 20,000 alumni working all across the world and currently welcomes over 500 faculty and administrative staff and 7,000 students on its campuses in France (Aix-en-Provence, Angers, Bordeaux, Lyon, Paris and Strasburg), Hungary, China and most recently in Spain and Luxemburg.

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About École des Ponts ParisTech

Founded in 1747, École des Ponts ParisTech is top-level School of Engineering that trains future executives and researchers seeking to tackle the challenges facing the sustainable society of the 21st century.

In addition to its expertise in the areas of civil engineering and spatial planning on which the School's reputation is based, it also develops high-quality training programmes and research activity associated with ecological transition and societal responsibility.

Fifteen top-notch teaching and research chairs are dedicated to these areas, bringing together the scientific and technical spheres, economic reality and societal acceptability. The École nationale des ponts et chaussées is one of the founder members of ComUE ParisEstSup, PSE-École d'Économie de Paris and ParisTech and also a partner of the Institut Polytechnique de Paris, notably via its involvement in Energy4Climate. The School is a founder member of the European Engineering Learning Innovation and Science Alliance, which groups together 10 higher education institutions from 8 European countries. The School is also ISO 9001: 2008-certified. www.ecoledesponts.fr/en

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